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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The applicants respectfully request that the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A be considered in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of each of these references is enclosed.

Non-English language reference AU, which was cited in a Notification of Reasons for Rejection from the Japanese Patent Office in counterpart Japanese Patent application No. 2002-288951, corresponds to English language WO 98/11823 (provided as reference AT). Please note that WO 98/11823 claims priority to U.S. Application No. 08/717,153, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,724,978 (already of record as Reference AA) and U.S. Application No. 08/773,671. A copy of that

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Respectfully submitted,

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